

PUBLIC NOTICE
ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

**NOTICE OF THE OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT
ON PROPOSED REMEDIAL OBJECTIVES FOR
THE WESTERN AVENUE WQARF REGISTRY SITE**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) is soliciting comments for proposed Remedial Objectives (RO) on the Western Avenue WQARF (Site) in Goodyear and Avondale, Arizona [A.A.C. R18-16-404(C)(1)(c)]. Proposed ROs are identified with consideration to the current and reasonably foreseeable uses of land and waters of the state as determined during the public meeting and public comment period for the Draft Remedial Investigation (RI) Report. ROs are used to establish the final remedy. The Final RI Report will contain data gathered during the RI, the Final RO Report, and any responsiveness summaries compiled to address comments, issues or concerns raised during the community involvement process.

The Western Avenue WQARF Site is bounded by the groundwater contamination plume which generally extends from Hill Drive (north of Western Avenue) to the north, Third Street to the east, approximately 1,000 feet north of State Route 85 to the south and the Phoenix-Goodyear Airport (PGA) to the west in Goodyear, AZ. The site boundaries provide the estimated extent of currently known contamination.

In 1993 tetrachloroethene (PCE) was detected in groundwater upgradient of the National Priority List (NPL) PGA-South Site. Subunit A wells at the PGA-South Site showed an increasing concentration trend in PCE. ADEQ conducted soil vapor sampling at the City of Goodyear Public Works facility and also at Western Dry Cleaners. The soil vapor sampling did not detect any significant concentrations of PCE. Two monitoring wells were installed to characterize the groundwater quality east and north of the PGA-South Site. As a result of information obtained from these wells the Western Avenue Site was placed on the WQARF Site Registry in December 1998 with a score of 51 out of a possible 120. The scoring of a site, its relative score, or its placement on the Registry does not necessarily represent a determination that the release of a hazardous substance from the site poses a threat to human health or welfare or the environment.

Following a 30-day public comment period for the solicitation of proposed ROs, ADEQ will establish the ROs with consideration of the comments it has received. The draft RO report will then go out for a separate comment period. A public meeting of the Community Advisory Group (CAG) is scheduled for Thursday, November 6th, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. at the Goodyear Water Resource Administration Building, located at 4980 S.157th Ave., Goodyear, AZ 85338. At this time ADEQ will solicit public comments on the proposed ROs.

PARTIES WISHING TO OFFER COMMENTS on the ROs must make such comments in writing to ADEQ, Attention: André Chiaradia, WQARF Project Manager, 1110 W. Washington Street, 4415B-1, Phoenix, Arizona 85007 and reference this listing.

Comments must be postmarked to ADEQ by Monday, November 17th, 2008.

Dated this 14th day of October, 2008
André Chiaradia, Project Manager
Arizona Department of Environmental Quality